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In re the Application of

Hiroto SUGANO et al.

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For: TAP HAVING THREADED PORTION COATED WITH DIAMOND-LIKE CARBON COATING

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the September 30, 2005 Office Action, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.